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1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03	April 2001.				
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Disposition of Claims					
4) Claim(s) 1-31 is/are pending in the application 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrest is/are allowed. 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) Claim(s) is/are rejected. 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) 1-31 are subject to restriction and/or	rawn from consideration.				
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Election/Restrictions

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1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-20, 23-28, 31 drawn to a reservation system that offers an alternative reservation if the first one is unsuccessful.
- II. Claims 21-22, 29, drawn to a reservation system that determines how to handle a registration, based on the rate of change in the number of reservations.
- III. Claim 30, drawn to a reservation system with third and fourth transmitting step, but doesn't have first or second transmitting steps and does not appear related to the first two inventions.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the above reasons.

Specification

- 2. 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, requires the specification to be written in "full, clear, concise, and exact terms." The specification is replete with terms which are not clear, concise and exact. The specification, claims and drawings should be revised carefully in order to comply with 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. Examples of some unclear, inexact or verbose terms used in the specification are:
- pg 1, line 13, the word "gichet" is unclear, and could not be found in the dictionary;

pg 4 paragraph (2-5) is unclear;

throughout the specification, claims and drawings, the word "situation" follows the words "service" and "reservation" and appears to be related to the Japanese language translation, but is unclear.

Appropriate correction is required.

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thomas A. Dixon whose telephone number is (571) 272-6803. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday 6:30 - 4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Weiss can be reached on (571) 272-6812. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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